

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 853

Introduced by Assembly Member Arambula

February 26, 2009

An act to add Section 56878 to the Government Code, relating to local government.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 853, as introduced, Arambula. Local agencies: small community water systems.

Existing law defines “small community water system” to mean a community water system that serves no more than 3,300 service connections or a yearlong population of no more than 10,000 persons. Under the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, the local area formation commission is responsible for the conducting organization and reorganization proceedings for special districts, as specified.

This bill would require the local agency formation commission to conduct a feasibility review for the consolidation of a small community water system with one or more of the water systems in the county, if the board of supervisors of the county receives a written complaint from a resident or group of residents of a small community water system, and a majority of the board votes to require the report by the commission.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 56878 is added to the Government Code,
2 to read:
3 56878. (a) Upon receipt by the board of supervisors, of a
4 written complaint from any resident or group of residents of a
5 small community water system, as defined by subdivision (aa) of
6 Section 116275 of the Health and Safety Code, the board of
7 supervisors may require, upon majority vote, the local agency
8 formation commission in that county to initiate a feasibility study
9 relating to the consolidation of the small community water system
10 with one or more of the water systems in the county.
11 (b) To meet the requirements of this section, a local agency
12 formation commission shall be eligible to receive financial
13 assistance pursuant to Section 116326 of the Health and Safety
14 Code.

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